

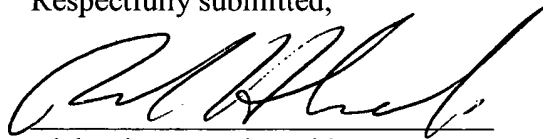
**REMARKS**

The specification has been amended. Claims 27-49 have been amended and claims 50-54 have been added following the translation of the application from German to English. Claims 27-54 remain for consideration. No new matter has been added.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

If a telephone interview could assist in the prosecution of this application, please call the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. H. Kosakowski', written over a horizontal line.

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